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NABSO05-24**

RE-REGISTER FOR NOTICE TO MARINERS

The Port of London Authority is developing a new website and mail system, which will affect how Mariners receive essential navigational safety information, operational information, safety updates and navigational consultations. The new system will not only improve user experience, by providing a website where information is easy to access, but will also improve security and resilience, as well as protecting stakeholder data.

Work on the new system will be completed by 23rd April 2024, after which, the old system will be shut down.

In order to continue to receive Notices to Mariners and other essential information, **you must now sign up** to the various email lists suited to your needs.

Mariners can sign up any time, but should ensure they have done so by **23rd April 2024**, in order not to miss any important safety information. If you have not signed up by this date you will no longer receive email notifications from the Port of London Authority and your existing data will be deleted.

[You can sign up here.](#)

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EXPIRY DATE: 30/04/2024

Telephone calls, VHF radio traffic, CCTV and radar traffic images may be recorded in the
VTS Centres at Gravesend and Woolwich

**YOU WILL STOP RECEIVING NTMs
UNLESS YOU ACT NOW**

Register now to keep receiving important navigational updates and operational information from the Port of London Authority. Our website upgrade is almost complete, and we're switching to a new email system on 23/04/2024.

Click here
SIGN UP

Don't miss out – sign up today to stay informed.

1. Notice to Mariners

Our "Notice to Mariners" serves as a critical channel for relaying indispensable information to mariners operating along the tidal Thames. Topics covered include new, changed or revoked PLA procedures, the communication of new or revised rules and regulations, new or ongoing river works affecting navigation or anything else that affects the safe navigation of vessels on the river. This service is designed to ensure that stakeholders (specifically mariners) have access to the latest navigational insights, empowering them to navigate the waters informed and with confidence. In addition to Notice to Mariners, by signing up to this list you will also receive:

Safety Bulletins

In our ongoing commitment to safety, we disseminate "Safety Bulletins" that provide valuable insights and information related to maritime safety. These bulletins serve as a conduit for sharing best practices, investigation findings, and general safety guidelines. By nurturing a culture of safety awareness, we collectively strive to maintain the highest standards of safety, protecting lives, assets, and the environment.

Navigation Warnings

New for 2024, Navigation Warnings are being introduced to get vital navigational information to you quickly. Navigational Warnings may be issued for any event where there is, or may soon be, a danger to the safe navigation of vessels. These may include, but are not limited to:

- Navigational aids off station.
- Severe or significant weather phenomena.
- Damaged or broken lights, fog signals, buoys and navigational aids that affect main shipping lanes.
- Wrecks, reefs, rocks and shoals that might be a danger to main shipping lanes.
- Drifting hazards, such as derelict ships, mines, ice.
- Unexpected changes or closures of established routes.
- Problems with radio navigation, radio or satellite maritime safety information services.
- Areas to avoid where search and rescue and anti-pollution activities are happening.

Guide to PLA Mail Lists for Notices

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| Notice to Mariners | Notice to Mariners Upper | Important navigational safety information between Putney to Teddington |
| | Notice to Mariners Middle | Important navigational safety information between Crossness and Putney |
| | Notice to Mariners Lower | Important navigational safety information between Crossness and the Outer Limits |
| | Notice to Mariners Port Wide | Important navigational safety information for the whole of the PLA's jurisdiction |
| | Safety Bulletins | |
| | Navigational Warnings (<i>Coming 2024</i>) | |
| Notice to Agents, Berth and Ship Operators (NABSO) | | |
| Consultees | | |

2. Notices to Agents, Berth, and Ship Operators

Stakeholders directly involved in maritime operations benefit from our "Notices to Agents, Berth, and Ship Operators." These notifications extend beyond basic updates; they provide essential, current information for successful operations within the Port of London. Addressing a range of subjects, including PLA procedures and requirements, these notices are designed to keep stakeholders informed about changes in regulations, allowing them to align their operations with evolving standards and expectations.

3. Consultation Notices

Collaboration lies at the core of our strategy. Our "Consultation Notices" offer you the opportunity to contribute to decisions that impact navigation, commerce, and recreation along the tidal Thames. We periodically seek your insights on matters of significance, reaffirming our commitment to inclusive and cooperative decision-making. Your participation in these consultations underscores our shared responsibility for the port's vitality and success.

As stakeholders in the maritime community, your understanding and engagement with our communication methods are integral to our collective success. We encourage you to take full advantage of these formal communication channels, ensuring that you remain informed, empowered, and connected to the evolving landscape of navigation and maritime operations within the Port of London.

Please ensure you are signed up to any/all of these mail lists to ensure you continue receive notifications via email.

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